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### **Amendments**

### In the Claims

 (currently amended) A circuit for enhancing a slew rate by providing an assistant current to a main output stage having a main current, comprising:

a monitoring stage for receiving a signal from a the main output stage and outputting a decayed push signal and a decayed pull signal; and

an assistant output stage for receiving the decayed push signal and the decayed pull signal to output an assistant current[[.]], whereby the slew rate can be enhanced by adding the assistant current to the main current.

- (original) The circuit of claim 1, wherein the assistant current further feeds back to the main output stage.
- (original) The circuit of claim 1, wherein the assistant current is turned on automatically after the main current is turned on.
- (original) The circuit of claim 1, wherein the assistant current is turned off
  automatically before the main current is turned off.
- 5. (currently amended) A method for providing a push current and a pull current to a system having a main current, comprising:

detecting a first input and a second input;

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generating a push current when a voltage of the second input is larger than a voltage of the first input and is enough to turn on at least one of the switches; and generating a pull current when a voltage of the first input is larger than a voltage of the second input and is high enough to turn on at least one of a phurality of switches.

- 6. (original) The method of claim 5, wherein the push current and the pull current further feed back to one of the first input and the second input.
- 7. (currently amended) The method of claim 5, wherein the push current and the pull current-is are turned on automatically after the main current is turned on.
- 8. (currently amended) The method of claim 5, wherein the push current and the pull current-is are turned off automatically before the main current is turned off.

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